

ABSTRACT

In a multimedia information sharing system, multimedia information is shared between multiple devices over a network to which a server is connected. The server includes: a 5 management table for managing identifiers to identify terminal devices and the addresses of the devices on the network; a server receiving section receiving the identifier from a first terminal device; a processing section for getting the address of the first terminal device by reference to the 10 identifier received and the address of a second terminal device, identified by another identifier received, by reference to the identifier and the management table; and a server transmitting section for sending the address of the second terminal device to the first terminal device if the 15 first terminal device retains the multimedia information and sending the address of the first terminal device to the second terminal device if the second terminal device retains the multimedia information. The multimedia information is transmitted, received and shared between the first and second 20 terminal devices by reference to the address provided.